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- Amendment and Reply to Office action.
- Revised FIG. 4 and 6A-6N with red-line and clean copies.
- Sequence Listing (paper copy, 91 pages, and computer readable disk).
- Please charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with filing this amendment and any extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- A Marked-up Version of Amended Specification and Claims Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121(b)-(c) is attached.
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

This paper is filed in response to the non-final Office action, dated January 23, 2003. A three-month period for reply was set, making a response due on or before April 23, 2003. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to the deposit account referenced in the transmittal letter.

Please enter the following amendments in the application:

In the Specification:

Please replace the title of the application at page 1, line 1 with the following:

ŃUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES ENCODING 10-DEACETYLBACCATIN III-O-ACETYL

TRANSFERASE AND RELATED PRODUCTS

SEO ID NO: 59 is the amino acid sequence identified as "aab61522" in Figure 6A-6N.

SEQ ID NO: 60 is the amino acid sequence identified as "cab10319" in Figure 6A-6N.

SEQ ID NO: 61 is the amino acid sequence identified as "cab40761" in Figure 6A-6N.

SEQ ID NO: 62 is the amino acid sequence identified as "aab61523" in Figure 6A-6N.

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